

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: Fan Lu Examiner: Tiffany Gough  
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Title: Colonies of *Nostoc commune*, Methods for Cultivating Edible *Nostoc commune*, and Edible *Nostoc commune* Formulations and Their Use for Promoting Health.

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.111 and 1.114**

Sir:

Together with the Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. 1.114 filed concurrently herewith, Applicants respectfully submit the following amendments and remarks.

This response contains amendments to the claims and remarks.

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